

# ○ Fees for Using Childcare Facilities (hoikusho-no hoikuryō)

## ■ How Fees are Calculated (hoikuryō no santei)

Fees will generally be calculated on the first day of each month. Costs will vary based on the guardians' tax-paying status, whether the child lives in a single-parent household, whether there are handicapped/disabled individuals in the household, the order in which the children were born, the children's ages (on April 1st), and how necessary it is for the children to receive care.

Fees are waived for children who are 3 years or older, or for 0-2 year old children in households exempt from paying municipal taxes.

Fees will be split into 19 different levels (ranging from 0 yen to 55,000 yen).

In addition to the fees above, additional fees such as those for lunch (from 3 years old onwards), teaching materials, parent/guardian association membership, and other such things may be necessary.

## ■ Payment of Fees (hoikuryō no nōfu)

Payments will begin on the last day of each month following the month during which the child began enrollment (payments for November will be made on December 27). If the payment date falls on a public holiday, the deadline is generally the next banking day.

For fees at Certified Childcare Centers and Small- Scale Nurseries, please consult the facility about the payment periods.

## ■ Reduction of Fees for Multi-Children Households (Izumo-shi dokuji no tashisedai keigen seido)

If there are more than 3 children in the household, and any child after the third child is enrolled in a child care facility, that child may have their service fees reduced by half. However, if any payments for children within the family have been missed, this reduced rate cannot be provided. Additionally, an application is required each year to receive this reduced rate.

If you have any questions regarding child care fees, please contact the *Hoiku Yochien-ka Nyuen-gakari* Tel: 21-6964